

Labor Will Demand Its Share

An Editorial

THE FEAR that they may have to share some of their huge war contract profits with labor, is now the major worry of the big employers of the country.

They know the workers are being plagued with higher living costs. They know it because they, the employers, are responsible for these high prices of the necessities of life.

They know, too, that their own profits are higher than ever. AND THEY KNOW THE WORKERS KNOW IT!

Employers in every industry had their eyes on the Vultee Aircraft strike. They saw the workers fighting—not merely to maintain but to improve their conditions. They see in the 12½ cent an hour increase which the Vultee workers won, an example which may be followed by the workers everywhere. For they know that with the United Mine Workers already on record for higher wages and shorter hours when their contract expires in the Spring, that the movement for wage increases will not be limited to the so-called "defense" industries, but may well extend through every industry.

THIS is the meaning of the recent reactionary assault upon the rights of labor.

The Navy Department, which has always worked in the closest cooperation with the big employers, comes out with a declaration against the minimum wage scales of the Walsh-Healey Act—at a time when open-shop corporations like Bethlehem Steel are coining hundreds of millions of dollars in profits on Navy contracts. Meanwhile, Administration leaders in the House are working behind closed doors to push the Smith Bill with its outlawing of strikes and possible penalty of life imprisonment for strikers in "defense" industries.

Most shameful development in this drive on the rights of workers, is Monday's statement by Sidney Hillman's "Labor" Division, with its cringing assurance to the employers that labor will not use its organized strength to press its demands.

THE LABOR movement will recall the sharp characterization of this Labor Division of the National Advisory Defense Commission made by John L. Lewis in his report to the CIO Convention, when he declared that the seven CIO members of the Division did not speak for the CIO.

The Commissioner in charge of the Labor Division [Hillman] has appointed sixteen officials of labor organizations to sit on an advisory committee on labor policy," Lewis said. "Among these are seven from CIO unions. The CIO was not requested to designate representatives on this committee, nor were these CIO union officials, who were appointed by the Commissioner, called upon to represent CIO policy, or the view of the CIO as such. These officers of CIO unions have through no fault of their own, therefore, been placed in an anomalous position which allows them neither to further as official representatives the policies of the CIO nor to withhold, in the name of the CIO, official approval of national defense policies and procedures."

This labor division speaks just as little for labor today as it did when Lewis spoke these words.

The labor movement should press forward everywhere with its program to organize the unorganized and to fight for adequate wage increases.

It must rally its strength to defeat all those moves calculated to haggle labor, restrict its rights and, as in the case of the Hillman plans, to sap labor's strength through endless negotiating conferences.

The words of Abraham Lincoln, spoken in reference to a strike of shoe workers in Lynn, Massachusetts, can well be inscribed on the banners of labor today:

"At the outset I am glad to see that a system of labor prevails in New England," Lincoln said, "under which labor can strike when they want to, where they are not obliged to work under all circumstances, and are not tied down and obliged to labor whether you pay them or not!"

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British Open Egypt Drive, Take 4,000 Prisoners

Greeks Claim Capture of Crack Italian Units at Argyrocastron

LONDON, Dec. 9 (UP)—British forces have started an offensive in the western desert of Egypt, it was stated reliably tonight, and the action already is "on a rather large scale."

CAIRO, Dec. 9 (UP)—British forces in the Egyptian desert are locked in battle with the Italians along a "broad front" and have taken more than 4,000 prisoners in one area alone, including the commander of a Fascist force, it was stated officially tonight.

In two communiques the British High Command in the Near East described the war on the long-dormant Egyptian front where Marshal Rodolfo Graziani's Fascist columns have been stalled for weeks around Sidi Barrani.

In its first communiqué the British command reported the taking of 500 prisoners south of Sidi Barrani and a special communiqué tonight raised the figure to more than 4,000, adding that "still more prisoners are being rounded up."

Tonight's communiqué said the commander of one Italian force engaged in the fighting was killed and that his second in command, who replaced him, was captured.

Other British bombing attacks were said to have been directed against Italian bases in the Western Desert, at Adarab in Italian East Africa, on Asmara in Eritrea and Buria in Italian East Africa.

GREEKS CAPTURE CRACK UNITS

ATHENS, Dec. 9 (UP)—Capture of three Italian regiments, including two of crack Alpine mountain fighters, was reported today from conquered Argyrocastron as Greek forces drove as within shelling range of two Italian military bases on the Albanian front.

Greek advance forces striking northward from Argyrocastron which fell to them at noon Sunday were reported closing in on the town of Tepelini from two directions to complete their mop-up of mountainous southern Albania.

On the northern front two Greek columns were pushing upon the fascist mid-Albanian base of Elbasan, 24 miles south of the Albanian capital of Tirana, with heavy fighting reported from the area of Gjirokastra, about seven miles southeast of Elbasan.

One of the famed Bersaglieri regiments also was reported captured. The Bersaglieri was believed to be the 42nd regiment from Ferrara, which had retreated through the mountains and was drawn into a trap in the final battle for the ancient.

Italian prisoners were quoted as saying that the Albanian port of Valona was crowded with wounded, many of whom lay on the docks waiting for transportation back to Italy.

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Danes Riot Against Nazis In Copenhagen

Jeer Nazis Who Were Put Under Arrest by City Police

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 9 (UP)—

Rioting and anti-Nazi demonstrations were reported today from the South Jutland town of Haderslev in German-occupied Denmark, where several thousand Danes gathered outside a jail jeering Danish Nazis being questioned after street fighting.

The crowd demonstrated outside the jail until 4 A. M. today, it was reported, alternately cheering Danish policemen and boozing the Nazis.

Inside the jail the Nazis were questioned by police chief Njal Hartmann about rioting in which tear gas was used, six policemen and an undetermined number of Nazis were injured seriously and some 350 Nazis were arrested.

The crowd sang Danish national anthems and boozed Fritz Clausen, Danish Nazi leader, when he entered the jail during the investigation. Clausen had arrived at the scene during the street battle and attempted to intervene, but the police would not talk to him.

It was the most serious disturbance since the Germans invaded Denmark eight months ago, according to reports reaching Copenhagen.



ELIAS LAFERTE

Chilean People Fight Move to Ban C. P.

Popular Front Sees It First Step Toward a Fascist Uprising

By Elias Laferte

(National Chairman, Communist Party of Chile and member of Senate)

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 9—All the forces of the Popular Front of Chile, together with the government, are girding to block and defeat reaction's preparations for an armed uprising, and first and foremost of them, the attempt to outlaw the Communist Party of Chile.

After the defeat suffered in the recent elections in Valparaiso, the Liberal, Conservative and Nazi parties which realized that they had been repudiated by the people and would surely be defeated in the March, 1941, elections began to prepare for an armed uprising.

Their representatives moved for the impeachment of the Minister of the Interior, Guillermo Labarca; they obstructed the functions of Parliament; they proclaimed their non-participation in the March elections. The Rightist bloc in the Chamber presented an unconstitutional motion to dissolve the Communist Party, as the beginning of their attacks against all parties of the Popular Front and the trade unions.

GAG C. P. LEADER

In the Chamber the reactionaries prevented Deputy Carlos Contreras Labarca, Communist leader, from speaking, and through a bold parliamentary coup passed the motion outlawing the Communist Party. The Senate will act on the motion this week.

Labarca, General Secretary of the Chilean Communist Party, immediately denounced this rightist conspiracy to overthrow the People's Front Government. The Executive Committee of the People's Front unanimously declared its solidarity with the Communist Party.

The Radical Party, Socialist Party and Democratic Party, and the Chilean Confederation of Workers protested publicly against the Rightist Right and instructed the People's Front Senators to vote against the motion.

PEOPLE AROUSED

The people are demanding drastic measures against the instigators of this conspiracy and the dissolution of the armed reactionary bands as well as the confiscation of the wealth of all these conspirators.

The government has declared its intent to smash any sedition attempts. The United forces of the People's Front, of the working class in alliance with the peasants, are cooperating with the government in the defense of neutrality, for the fulfillment of the program of the People's Front, and for the smashing of the Rightist fascist and imperialist agents. The people are determined to show that the reactionary forces have no public support—that they are the instruments of anti-national and anti-democratic interests.

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Election Board Used City \$\$ As Slush Fund

Herlands Charges GOP-Tammany Partnership in Patronage

By Harry Raymond

Charging the Board of Elections with "converting itself into a sub-treasury for politically recommended contractors," Commissioner of Investigation William B. Herlands yesterday asserted the board members had spent public funds for patronage with "scandalous indifference and unbelievable neglect."

He listed his charges in the second installment of his report of a two-year investigation of the city election machinery.

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NAVY TO SET UP CIVILIAN GUARDS FOR NAVY YARDS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 (UP)—

Sir Frederick Phillips, Under-Secretary of the British Treasury, canceled his conference with Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau, Jr. today because he was unable to complete a "balance sheet" of Britain's assets over the week-end.

No definite time was set for resuming the conferences which began last Friday.

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The Duchess' Tooth...

Show me what you put on your front page, and I'll tell you who owns you.

That's a law well known to journalists.

Now read the following "front page stuff." It is the heart-rending tale of the tooth of the Duchess of Windsor, wife of the Duke of Windsor, Britain's governor of the Bahama Islands.

"... The operation will involve an apical infection of a non-vital or dead-nerved tooth. The affected area is that surrounding the tip of the root where the tooth is deepest in the jaw bone.

The tooth, a lower right molar, started troubling the Duchess in September."

We'll admit it frankly. This isn't "front page stuff" for the Daily Worker.

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Speed Bill to Smash Labor's Right to Strike; Hillman Opens Way

N.M.U. Lashes Loans As Paving Way for Troops to Europe

War loans to Great Britain or other European belligerents was opposed by the National Maritime Union yesterday because "soldiers will follow the loans, as in the first World War."

War loans are the second step in the "involvement formula of British propagandists—ships, money, men," which has already been carried out in part, the union said.

The NMU opposition to loans took the form of a telegram from Ferdinand Smith, secretary, to Senator Walter F. George, Elbert D. Thomas and Bennett Champ Clark, all of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

The wire points out that Britain was a "good risk" in 1916, but we never got our money back."

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Leaflet Drive Spurs Organization of Ford

By William Allan

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 9.—The United Auto Workers CIO today moved a long step closer to unionization of the 90,000 Ford workers at the Rouge River plant when many thousands of union leaflets were distributed to Ford workers, with no interference by the Ford Motor Co.

Chalked up also as mighty impetus to the union drive was the fact that today for the first time in history of this notorious labor-hating corporation, Ford workers openly wore union buttons inside the shop.

Dearborn police and the Ford Motor Co. were restrained today from interfering with or having unionists arrested for distributing union handbills. This was due to a court decision and injunction granted to the CIO union in Wayne County Circuit Court last Saturday by Judge Cheron.

WEAR UNION BUTTONS

At 6 A. M. this morning at the massive motor building section of the Rouge River plant a long line of union men from the Ford organizing staff stood cheering the Ford workers as many of them walked past the service men into the plant wearing union buttons. Up to late today no action had been taken by the company against the men.

The leaflet distribution this afternoon was, in the opinion of union organizers, the most successful yet. The Ford workers at all gates, coming out and going in, accepted the leaflets and for the first time stood and talked with union organizers.

The union leaders today stated that a daily distribution was planned of union material. More than 50 organizers participated in the distribution today.

The union leaders decided on the wearing of union buttons to call the men to the union.

Our "front page stuff" is what happens to YOU and to the common people of this country. Our "front page

1,000 Japanese Fall In Anhwei Battle

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

CHUNGKING, Dec. 9.—Chinese troops advancing from Tsianth in the southern part of Anhwei province clashed with Japanese forces 17 miles northeast of Pengtse on Dec. 5 and in the ensuing battle more than 1,000 Japanese were killed or wounded.

Japanese retreated and Chinese were reported moving on Pengtse.

Lin Yutang Urges Closer U.S.-Soviet-China Ties

Famed Chinese Writer Also Praises Work of Communist Party in China; Says USSR Aids His Homeland 'More Than Any Country'

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9.—The time has come for the United States to take a firmer stand in her relations to Japan, and above all, to work in closer cooperation with the Soviet Union in the interests of peace in the Far East.

This was the opinion of Dr. Lin Yutang, famous Chinese writer and philosopher, now pleading his country's cause in the United States, upon his arrival in San Francisco late last week.

He placed special emphasis on the importance of establishing a Washington-Chungking-Moscow understanding as a most effective means of strengthening China in her struggle against Japan.

Slim, volatile, Dr. Lin Yutang has high praise for the role the Soviet Union has played in assisting the people of China.

"Russia has helped my country more than any other nation. That is clearly understood in China. We know that whatever developments may occur, we are sure of the continued cooperation of the Soviet Government."

PRaises Chinese C. P.

Praised also by Dr. Lin Yutang was work done by the Communist Party in China. Theirs is a marvelous record of real patriotism and helpfulness, he said.

One of the greatest factors for success in the war against Japan is the growing coordination of forces within China. Increasing unity of the people, the skilful handling of the myriad defense activities both on the battlefields and behind the lines, is rapidly welding China into a stronger and greater nation than ever before.

On his recent visit to his homeland, Dr. Lin Yutang spent some time with General Chiang Kai-shek and Madame Chiang. He was impressed, he reported, with the calm and confidence evinced by both.

But to increase the confidence of the Chinese people as a whole, quick and direct action on the part of the United States Government is of paramount importance, stressed Dr. Lin Yutang.

And a Washington-Chungking-Moscow understanding, with consequent weakening of Japanese imperialism, would be one great means of accomplishing this, he concluded.

Chinese Troops Blow Up Five Enemy Trains

SHANGHAI, Dec. 9 (UPI)—Chinese guerrilla bands blew up five Japanese trains mostly in North China in one week, inflicting several hundred casualties. It was learned from authoritative sources today. A small number of Japanese troops were among the casualties.

Travelers from Tsingtao reported an unsuccessful attempt to assassinate Mayor Chaochih on Dec. 1. One of the mayor's secretaries was reported to have received minor wounds.

Windsors Due In Miami on Yacht Today

MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 9.—The Duke and Duchess of Windsor are expected to arrive here tomorrow to be received by an elaborate police guard such as is only accorded to the President of the United States.

The Duke and his patriotic wife will arrive here aboard the palatial yacht of Swedish utilities magnate Alexis Wenner-Gren, a bosom pal of Nazi chieftain Goering.

According to reports, the Dutchess is coming to this country for a dental operation, and the former British King has said that he will make no public appearance in the United States.

Roosevelt Inspects Bases, Moves North

FORT DE FRANCE, Martinique, Dec. 9 (UPI).—The U.S.S. *Tuscaloosa* with its destroyer escort was sighted moving northward today, indicating that President Roosevelt had ended a visit of inspection to the new United States naval base at Castries, St. Lucia.

The increase in cotton production has been accompanied by a marked improvement in quality; it is now generally admitted that Soviet cotton fiber is among the best in the world. While only ten years ago the proportion of long-fibered cotton to the local crop was negligible, in 1939 it had risen to 81.3 per cent.

These advances in cotton growing have been accomplished by the collective farms which have been equipped by the state with modern agricultural machinery on a large scale and have acquired a wealth of experience.

A further increase in the cotton crop is expected this year. The result of intensive labor on the part of the collective farmers, it is being achieved in spite of unfavorable weather conditions. This year the spring was poor; there was little moisture in the soil and insufficient water in the rivers and canals for the plantations. But the collective farmers met and overcame this difficulty with flying colors.

The average yield of irrigated cotton has been nearly doubled during the same period, reaching 0.83 tons per acre. Hundreds of collectives farms and entire districts are obtaining as much as one and a half tons per acre on large plantations. There are not a few farms and collective farm brigades that are obtaining up to four tons per acre.

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These advances in cotton growing have been accomplished by the collective farms of the Irbashtan, Pashkhabad and Uchchil districts in southeastern Fergana. A cold, dry spring delayed the shoots and when they did come through they were thin and sparse. Scarcely had the farmers managed to save the situation by adding fertilizers and taking other measures, when pests appeared.

The farmers were busy on the fields practically day and night; some were moistening the plants, taking care not to waste a single drop of water; others were fighting the pests.

And their labor was not in vain: a crop of 1.2 tons per acre is expected in these districts over an area of about 70,000 acres.

Science proved of inestimable aid to the farmers in overcoming these



Gives Them a Hand:

Maritime Chapter of the American Friends of the Chinese People, 168 W. 23rd St., will Miss Lee the first ticket to their dance to be held Saturday, Dec. 21, at the Hotel Diplomat, which will open their fund campaign for China. (Left to right): William McCarthy, Miss Lee, Miss Li Lee of the American Friends of the Chinese People, William Cullinan, Rudy Barwicks and S. 'Scotty' Hutchinson. —Daily Worker Photo

RAF Strikes Hard at Nazi U-Boat Bases

LONDON, Dec. 9 (UPI)—Striking savagely at the lairs of Germany's "U-boat blitz" against British shipping, waves of RAF bombers were said tonight to have set ablaze the French naval ports of Bordeaux, Brest and Lorient and perhaps smashed some of Adolf Hitler's sea-raiding submarines.

Simultaneously other strong

bomber squadrons, apparently de-

signed to wipe out Germany's

great Dusseldorf industrial center,

heaped more tons of bombs and

incendiaries upon the vital steel

works and other war plants of the

Ruhr city for several hours "with

vast damage," it was stated offi-

cially.

It was the third fierce attack on

Dusseldorf in five nights, beginning

with a record-breaking 12-hour as-

sault last Wednesday night and fol-

lowed by a raid Saturday night in

which 4,000 incendiary bombs and

many high explosives were said to

have reduced many buildings of one

of Germany's biggest steel plants to

"blazing heaps of rubble."

GUIDED BY FLAMES

As on Wednesday and Saturday

nights the big Press and Walkworks

blast-furnaces and steel works were

the RAF's chief targets at Dussel-

dorf as the British pilots, guided by

"flames streaming from windows"

of the plant, swept daringly low in

attack after attack.

Last night's intensified RAF at-

tacks struck at the vitals of Ger-

many's war industries and extended

along the Nazi-held continental

coast as far south as Bordeaux, in-

cluding the ports of Brest, Lorient,

Flushing, Dunkirk, Gravelines and

a chain of German airfields.

Two British planes were lost in

the attacks, compared with a loss

of four on the previous night, it

was admitted.

A number of German U-boats

were moored at the Bordeaux docks

when the RAF bombers arrived at

7.30 P.M. Sunday, it was stated by

the Air Ministry.

NAZIS SHOW REPORTERS DAMAGE

DUSSELDORF, Germany, Dec. 9 (UPI).—The German Propaganda

Ministry today brought eight for-

ignorant newspapermen here by air-

plane to view damage inflicted in

two short but intensive British air

attacks on Dusseldorf Saturday and

Sunday nights.

The association's conclusion was

stated in its Dec. 1 report, pub-

lished today, entitled "The United

States Army in Transition." It

was written by David H. Popper.

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-Reprinted from the CIO NEWS

Chi. Unions Meet at A.P.M. Call, Set Up 'Draftee Aid' Committees

Delegates Also Push Drive for Local Peace Newspapers

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—Chicago trade unions today threw their full weight into the fight for peace, following a trade union conference held Sunday under the auspices of the Chicago Council of the American Peace Mobilization.

Acting upon the plan accepted at the meeting, labor organizations began setting up Draftee Aid Committees in locals throughout the city, and spurred support for a local APM newspaper, scheduled to make its appearance Jan. 1.

Importance of active labor union participation in the struggle against war was recognized in the establishment, at the Sunday conference, of a special Trade Union Division, with William Allen, trade union director of the Chicago APM, as chairman. Allen, who is a member of the Chicago Newspaper Guild, is assisted by William P. Robinson, organizer of Local 177, Railroad Switchmen of North America; John DeBoer of the Chicago Teachers Union; AFL; Robert Travis, field representative, Farm Equipment Workers Organizing Committee; CIO; A. C. Perryman, Negro president of Local 201, Transport Workers Union; CIO; and Pearl M. Hart, well-known attorney and executive secretary of the Chicago APM Council.

Main speaker at the conference, which was held in the Auditorium Building, and was attended by representatives of CIO, AFL and railroad brotherhood unions, was Morris Watson, of New York, international vice-president of the American Newspaper Guild and chairman of the Progressive Committee to Rebuild the American Labor Party. Watson told of his own experiences in the First World War, in which he was gassed, and stressed that "the backbone of any movement" for peace "must be labor."

He also emphasized the need of support for the projected APM paper here, to offset the commercial press "cooperating with the administration and the forces that will profit from war; to get us into war."

All outlined proposals for trade union action, including the setting up of Draftee Aid Committees. He suggested that these committees send questionnaires to members of local unions, to ascertain how conscription is affecting them, and that the facts be brought before the union memberships. The chairman of each Draftee Aid Committee is invited to become a member of the Chicago APM Executive Council.

Robinson, who is a vice-chairman of the Chicago APM, was chairman of the meeting, which unanimously passed resolutions condemning the Smith "sabotage" bill and the King bill for repeal of the Neutrality and Johnson Acts.

Miss Hart analyzed the Smith Bill, pointing out that it would destroy the right to strike, destroy the closed shop and smash the National Labor Relations Act.

Plane Crash Death List Is Increased to Ten

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—The toll of dead in the crash of a United Air Lines plane was increased to ten last night with the death of Owen M. Frederick, 52, of Olmstead, Ohio.

Six other passengers remain in hospitals.

Cannery Union Calls Smith Bill 'Infamous'

Maryland District of Union Writes Rep. Smith, Charges Bill Is Aimed as Un-American Blow at Rights of All Labor

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SUFFOLK, Va., Dec. 9.—Branding Smith bill a most infamous, un-American piece of legislation, the Maryland District of the United Cannery, Agricultural Packing and Allied Workers of America, CIO, has written Rep. Howard W. Smith, of this state, asking him to withdraw the measure.

The letter, signed by William Haber, Frank Graham and Leroy Harris, district officers, says in part:

TEXT OF LETTER

"The bill which you have recently introduced before the United States Congress, known as the 'Smith Bill,' is a most infamous, un-American piece of legislation, designed and directed against the interests of organized labor. Instead of legislating against the 'sabotage' of America's Defense Program that has been and is being carried on by big industrialists, who refuse to operate their plants unless they get their pound of flesh, in terms of profit, you have introduced a bill whose purpose is deliberately destructive of the rights and interests of organized labor."

The letter continues: "As a representative of the state which gave our nation the Bill of Rights, we ask that you withdraw this measure so that the fair name of our Commonwealth shall not bear the blamish of this bill."

The letter concludes: "In this hour of crisis, the Student Union must accept responsibility of organizing even larger numbers into a solid peace front," declares the call. "For this purpose we hereby summon a great convention of student America, to meet this Christmas week to clear away the rising temper of hysteria and intolerance with a program of action for America's future."

The call was sent to the Union's 250 colleges and high school chapters and to the student government body at every college in the country.

"The Jewish People and the War" will deliver the main report to the convention on the opening morning. Mr. Witt's report will review the effects of the American war policy on the nation's students. It was learned, and will outline the program by which the convention proposes to demonstrate how students can be effective in protecting the heritage of liberal education against "those who would militarize the schools and goose-step our generation off to war."

Forum Here to Discuss 'Jewish People and War'

"The Jewish People and the War" will be the discussion topic at the Community Forum of the Upper Manhattan Peace Council, Thursday night at Paramount Mansion, St. Nicholas Ave. and 183rd St.

The earlier collateral case, on a Sherman Anti-trust charge against the union, was reversed by the same court.

Duluth Jury Upholds Civil Rights, Acquits WPA Woodsman of 'Falsifying' Affidavit

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DULUTH, Dec. 9.—Workers and farmers of northern Minnesota Friday night rejoiced at the acquittal of Andrew (Andy) Johnson, charged with falsifying a WPA affidavit and intent to "defraud the government, and acclaimed the civil rights victory in which the federal jury returned the verdict that an individual cannot be convicted for his beliefs.

The victory which saw Johnson courageously proclaiming his socialist ideology and principles in court, dealt a body blow to the administration's campaign of terror and creation of war hysteria.

The local Ridder-chain-owned press took the lead in whipping up the red scare and attempting to make it appear a "high crime" to believe in the superiority of Socialism over capitalism.

"I understand that to mean the broadening of democracy to a point nine o'clock Friday evening."

where the socialist society is established," he continued. "By that I mean the abolition of capitalism and the operation of industries in the interest of human society. The taking to industries, the mines and mills, and operating them for the people who need those things, but not operating for a profit."

Defense Counsel Henry Paul, court appointed attorney, showed that there had been no falsification of affidavit because of the written condition under which it was signed. Further, by the straight forward manner in which the defendant proclaimed his beliefs it was demonstrated that "there never was any attempt or intent to defraud the United States Government."

After deliberating ten and one-half hours the jury of ten men and two women brought in the acquittal and Johnson was released about

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Tenement Fire Kills Child, Hurts Parents

Rhode Island Couple Critically Injured, Daughter Dies

WOONSOCKET, R. I., Dec. 9 (UPI).—A four-year-old girl was burned to death today and her parents were injured critically when they plunged from a window of their top-floor flat as fire swept a four-story wooden tenement building.

Stanley Sitko, 28, regained consciousness at a hospital long enough to inform police that a charred body found in the ruins could only be that of his daughter Georgette. A dozen other persons had fled unassisted.

His wife Jeanette, 28, remained unconscious with probably fatal spine and internal injuries.

Sitko said there were no other children, thus halting a search caused by a report that the Sitkos had a three-month-old baby.

Faints, Falls

A neighbor, Edward Rock, said he arrived at the scene to find Sitko crumpled on the ground and Mrs. Sitko preparing to leap with the child in her arms. Rock said that he had pleaded with the woman to wait for firemen, she fainted, dropping the child inside and then toppling out the woman herself.

The husband said he smelled smoke and found the only stairway exit blocked by flames. He leaped first, he said, hoping to be able to break the fall of his wife and daughter.

The case involves construction of an extension to the Anheuser-Busch Brewing Co., which, according to the charge, was blocked by a jurisdictional dispute between the carpenters and other unions. At issue is the possibility of applying the Sherman Anti-Trust Act in "restraint of trade" caused from jurisdictional disputes.

QUOTE ARNOLD

The Journal of Commerce quotes extensively from a statement of Thurman Arnold, chief of the anti-trust division of the Department of Justice, in which he exploits the general public antipathy to Mr. Hutchison's stand over the Brotherhood of Carpenters.

The Journal spokesman for

WPA Laborer Offered Job; Shock Too Great, He Dies

SELLERSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 9.—Harry B. Moyer, 36, father of three children, was a WPA laborer for four years, throughout which time he attempted to obtain a better job.

Finally he was interviewed by a company here and told to report for work the next day.

Moyer was unable to rise from his chair. A physician said the shock had killed him.

Wall St. Hails 'Trust' Attack on Building Unions

Journal of Commerce Enthusiastic Over Trial in St. Louis—Cites Thurman Arnold—Asks New Anti-Labor Laws

Scheduling for trial the first of the long series of cases against building trades unions on anti-trust indictments, was enthusiastically hailed yesterday in a lengthy editorial in the Journal of Commerce.

Cases against hundreds of AFL officials in unions and

and file" complaining of Hutchinson's bureaucracy and the fact that there are no free elections in the union.

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CIO Shoe Local Backs Strikers At Firm Here

Backing the strikers of J. H. Block & Co., now in the eighth week, Shoe Repair and Orthopedic Workers, Local 563, CIO, yesterday announced that the membership voted a weekly strike assessment determined to carry the fight until victory.

A membership meeting voted a levy of one dollar each this week and fifty cents weekly after as long as it will be necessary to fight the firm. Weekly strike benefits of some 25 affected in the strike, will be raised to \$15 this week.

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Brooklyn Protests: Top, view of the mass meeting at Brooklyn's Academy of Music, Sunday afternoon, when an overflow audience met to protest the inquisition of Rapp-Coudert Committee and its attack upon free education in New York. Left, right, Rose Russell, Garibaldi Lapolla, principal P. S. 174, Brooklyn, who was chairman, Sarah Friedman, prof. Brooklyn College, Frederic Ewen, prof. Brooklyn College, the latter two are among those the legislative committee is preparing to cite for contempt.

—Daily Worker Photos

City's Slum Ridden Poor Face Menace of Flu Epidemic

Workers Alliance Shows Disease Hits Poor, Gives Its Program

By Beth McHenry

Is the flu coming to New York this winter?

People asked each other that question this week on the streets and in the dim halls of New York's tenement dwellings—where the flu and all respiratory diseases visit most vehemently when they come to town.

For news of the California epidemic of influenza has heralded the possible arrival of the disease itself, and organizations of the people, such as the Workers Alliance and the Citywide Tenants Council, are insisting that measures be taken to prevent the spread of the disease in the city.

No one who has lived through a great influenza epidemic can forget it. In 1918, in the post-war epidemic of flu which swept a deadly course through America, families were decimated by the thousands all over the country and hearse-laden funerals through the streets. The death list, which was but a continuation of the war's casualty list, was the fearful first item to be read in the morning's paper.

Last Sunday's Worker pointed to the silence in the City Council this year on the question of public housing.

SLUM CONDITIONS

Yet the facts that supplied the startling report of the "Survey of Cellar Occupancy" of the Committee on Housing still remain, including these:

"Over 25,000 New Yorkers live below ground level."

"Six thousand cellars in 58,000 old-law tenements are occupied in addition to a considerable number of new law cellars."

According to the same report, "in these cellar and basement dwellings are all the evils identified with New York's housing problem—overcrowding, small rooms, windowless rooms that open on narrow, inadequate air shafts, poor light or none at all, lack of ventilation, sometimes dangerous structure, dampness, disrepair, outmoded and inadequate sanitary equipment, and the ever present danger of fire."

Breeding spots for flu? Every bit as good as the trenches.

Donald Schoolman, executive secretary of the Citywide Tenants Council, had a comment to make during the influenza epidemic that is now reported on its way East.

"This influenza epidemic," he said, yesterday, "will undoubtedly take its heaviest toll in the slum sections of this city. For it is here that the low-income family is forced to pay a major portion of its income for the miserable, damp, dark and overcrowded housing that helps spread the ravages of disease. The low-income family pays so much for rent that it is unable to buy sufficient food and health care to counteract disease."

JOBLESS HIT

"The only solution to this problem of wiping out the slums and all the accompanying evils is the construction of decent sanitary low-rent government housing and

more money in the weekly pay check of the worker."

Most ready and tragic victims of flu, as of every other disaster that sweeps the country, of course, are the unemployed. Eleven million potential flu victims with no weapons for fighting disease—without the proper food to make their bodies strong enough to resist disease, without the housing to keep them properly sheltered from the terrible winter cold and wet, without the clothing to protect their bodies from wind and rain.

Richard McKibben, national president of the Workers Alliance said yesterday that "the responsibility of preventing a widespread, serious epidemic of influenza this winter rests squarely with relief and governmental agencies throughout the country."

"Only inertia," he declared, "will prevent local, state and federal authorities from taking action to prevent this epidemic from being worse than the epidemic of 1918."

Mr. McKibben then listed demands the Alliance is making of President Roosevelt, WPA Commissioner Howard O. Hunter and the Surplus Commodity Corporation to protect WPA workers and the unemployed from the ravages of flu epidemic this winter. For WPA workers, the Alliance is asking that an enlarged food budget for all unemployed.

2) Adequate clothing and bedding.

3) Immediate preparation for medical attention and hospitalization where necessary for all stricken unemployed.

4) Free medicine.

Additional demands made by the Workers Alliance call for the Surplus Commodity Corp. to issue an immediate emergency supply to the unemployed of:

1) Supplementary protective foods (fresh vegetables, fruits, especially oranges, and eggs, milk, etc.)

2) Available warm winter clothing.

3) Blankets and bedding.

Medicos Meet Here to Discuss Threat of 'Flu'

Health Authorities Make Preliminary Plans Should Epidemics Spread from California; City Is Normal

Expressing fear that the California influenza epidemic may spread across the country to New York, the city's leading medical and health authorities conferred yesterday with Health Commissioner John L. Rice to formulate a plan for combatting the disease.

"There has been quite an increase nationally in mild influenza," said Dr. C. C. Pierce, of the U. S. Public Health Service, who made the main report to the conference.

He pointed out that during the week ending Nov. 30, 1939, there were 1,252 cases of flu reported throughout the country whereas during a corresponding period this year there were 3,014 cases.

The abnormal increases in cases, Dr. Pierce explained, was caused by the spread of the disease in California, where during the last week of November 1,490 cases were recorded.

NORMAL HERE

Health Commissioner Rice reported that conditions are "normal" so far as influenza in New York City is concerned.

"As to whether the California epidemic will spread to New York no one will express a view," he said. "It's anyone's guess."

He stated that a rise in respiratory diseases in the city is not "improbable."

Dr. Pierce said that influenza has shown no marked increase in the eastern states and that conditions in Arizona, Texas and Oregon were normal, with California being the

PRECAUTIONS TO TAKE

Dr. Edward S. Godfrey, Jr., State Health Commissioner, stated the conference had "formulated items for general information" which he summed up as follows:

"If you feel sick go to bed, thus preventing the disease from spreading and reducing chances of being infected by secondary organisms."

Dr. David J. Kaliski, of the five county medical societies, was as-

Rally Set for Dec. 18th to Defend Schools

Calls for Defeat of Rapp Probe to Get More State Funds

A large city-wide mass meeting at Manhattan Center, Dec. 18, aiming to bring the issue of free education and union rights for teachers to the trade unions of New York, is one of the next important projects in the fight of Teachers Union, Locals 5 and 537, against the Rapp-Coudert witch-hunt.

Prominent national labor and political leaders are scheduled to be speakers, the Committee for Defense of Education, of the two locals, announced yesterday.

The defense committee is organizing the union's membership in a state-wide campaign to defeat the plans of the Rapp-Coudert committee to oust progressive teachers from the school system and to propose laws enabling quick firing of teachers and curbing union rights in the school system.

On the strength of its performance to date, the Rapp-Coudert Committee hopes to get \$40,000 to \$50,000 for another lease of life from the state legislature when it opens next month.

Brooklyn citizens, addressed by prominent educators, expressed their protest Sunday at an overflow meeting in the Academy of

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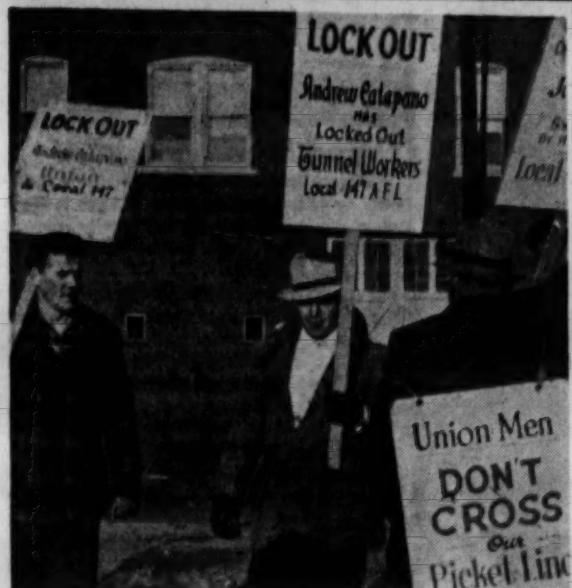
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Daily Worker Photo

Sandhogs Picket New Tunnel Work

AFL Union Charges It Was Robbed of Jurisdiction

Robbed of jurisdiction over shoring and other preliminary work on the Battery-Brooklyn tunnel, about 500 members of the Compressed Air Workers Union, Local 147 renewed picketing at the tunnel approach, Hamilton Ave. and Van Brunt St., Brooklyn yesterday.

Patrick McGee president of the local said that no conferences for a settlement of the dispute which the local has with Local 1458, Dock Builders and Pier Workers Union were planned.

"We will continue picketing until we get the work which rightly belongs to us," McGee said.

Asked if the matter had been submitted to city officials McGee said that his local had "contacted the Mayor on the matter last week and the next move is up to him."

Only four members of the Dock Builders, who are affiliated with the Carpenters Union, crossed the picket lines yesterday, McGee said.

Local 147 rejected an award of the work to the dockbuilders by John P. Coyne, head of the AFL Building Trades Council in Washington last week. Brian Feeney, business agent of the local said that it would refuse to accept an arbitrary one-man decision since his local was not represented when the award was made.

James Bove, international vice-president of the Hod Carriers and Building Laborers Union, with which the sandhogs are affiliated, conferred with Coyne after the award had been made, but the results were negative.

Bigger Picket lines are planned for today, both in Brooklyn and on the Manhattan side where the work is scheduled to start.

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Many city mothers bundle up little girls in too many clothes in the winter time—too many at least for indoor wear. Long stockings, lots of underwear and petticoats only burden the child, unless the home or the school is underheated, of course. But in a properly heated room, half socks and lightweight underwear are sufficient. The child who is dressed too warmly is much more likely to catch cold.

Of course, outer clothes for the street are another matter. A girl who wears half socks needs legging or ski-pants, as well as a warm coat, for the street. If underwear is light, a sweater should be handy, to slip on top of the dress in case of need.

It is important to every little girl—and therefore it has to be important to her mother—that clothes should fit well, and look like other

Mine Union Votes Today On Officers

Lewis, Murray, Kennedy Unopposed; 22 Run as CIO Delegates

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The 800,000 members of the United Mine Workers, CIO, will cast ballots tomorrow for officers of the union.

President John L. Lewis, vice-president, Philip Murray and secretary-treasurer Thomas Kennedy, are unopposed.

For eight delegates to the Congress of Industrial Organizations convention, there are 22 candidates. Lewis topping the list; for the auditing and credentials committee of three there are 13 candidates and for the committee of three tellers there are 21 candidates.

The election is for the union's term commencing upon April 1. On that very day the union's officials begin negotiations with the bituminous coal operators for a new pact.

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Higher Wages— Antidote to Inflation

The cry of "inflation" is one of the latest tricks launched against American labor's demand for higher wages to meet higher living costs. Every trade unionist has to be on guard against this trick.

The employers who are now reaping record-breaking war profits are worried that they may have to hand out a tiny share of these profits as higher wages. But since the very purpose of the "defense program" is to raise the rate of profit, to protect monopoly super-profit, the demand of labor for higher wages clashes with Wall Street's and Washington's most cherished schemes.

That is why the New York Times, for example, which is conniving with the Government and Wall Street to raise industrial profits at the expense of labor, shouts on its front-pages that "high labor costs" may "menace the defense program." In this wage-slashing platform, "defense" is taken to mean the same thing as "profits."

As a matter of fact, high wages for labor is the only possible way to combat the menace of inflation.

Inflation is an economic weapon by which the employers fleece the workers of their buying power. They do this by jacking up the prices of manufactured goods. They are doing it right now. The rise in the cost of living has brought about an almost 10 per cent increase since last year. The "defense" program has provided Wall Street with the long-awaited opportunity to raise the prices of raw materials and manufactured goods.

The cry of "inflation" is now levelled against labor's effort to overcome this increase in prices which has been engineered by the employers.

But high prices are never caused by high wages. High prices are always and invariably caused by high profits. This is the secret of political economy which the capitalist economists strive so desperately to keep from the people.

Wages may rise or fall without influencing prices. Wage cuts are never followed by an inevitable fall in prices, because the movement of prices is not in any way determined by wages. The movement of prices is determined by the "price of production," that is, by the cost of production plus the capitalist's profit. The way to cause a fall in prices is to cause a fall in profit.

Today, when the Roosevelt administration is turning the whole country over to the monopolies under the guise of "defense," this means that the American people must fight for higher wages against the monopoly corporations.

Labor's demand for higher wages today is not only necessary to protect their children and families. In the strict economic sense, high wages are the only way the nation can be saved from the full effects of a disastrous economic crisis which is now being prepared by the Washington program of rising prices and falling wages.

Higher wages are today a patriotic necessity.

But Lynchings Go On

Although the Roosevelt Administration has shelved the anti-lynch bill, lynchings have not been shelved.

The eighth lynching of 1940 took place down in Louisiana last week. A Negro worker, Eddie Garrett, was shot down in cold blood by police in Hammond, La., after being charged with "killing a white farmer."

Sen. Barkley, Roosevelt's man Friday, announced a few weeks ago that the anti-lynch bill had to be laid aside because of the "defense" program. But since that time, the Senate has passed the anti-labor Walter-Logan bill, the Summers anti-labor bill disguised as an "anti-sabotage" measure; and Congress is now bent upon passing all the reactionary legislation which it dared not enact before the elections.

The Roosevelt Administration and its Republican abettors, has thus shown the utmost contempt for the struggles of the Negro people. The hypocritical "defense" program is being used to give the Negro's life and death demands a run-around.

But this run-around should not be accepted. The Negro people, labor and white Americans, should insist upon the passage of the anti-lynch-bill at this session of Congress. It is the war-mongering "defense" legislation which should be shelved in favor of measures to protect the lives and democratic rights of Negro and white Americans.

A \$100,000,000 Gift To Spanish Fascism

That saintly knight of democracy, Secretary of State Hull finally broke down and confessed that he is thinking of lending \$100,000,000 to the fascist regime of General Franco.

Does Secretary Hull dare to tell us that this loan will go to help "democracy" in Spain or Europe?

This is nothing but a hundred million dollar BRIBE to Spanish fascism in order to advance the interests of the British-U. S. war alliance. This loan by Roosevelt to Franco will spell increased fascist terrorism against the Spanish people. It stabs in the back the efforts of Spain to achieve the democracy of which Roosevelt talks so glibly, but which he so readily betrays.

This money, which could provide food, clothing, shelter to millions of needy Americans, will be used to build prisons and execution blocks for the murder of anti-fascists in Spain.

This proposed loan to Franco recalls the fatal "non-intervention" policy by which Roosevelt collaborated with Chamberlain to allow Hitler and Mussolini to strangle the Spanish Republic.

Roosevelt's refusal to lift the embargo against Spain made Franco's victory possible. It also opened the gates to the present war. A victorious People's Front in Spain would have balked the outbreak of the present slaughter.

The loan to Franco only proves once again that present U. S. foreign policy is not directed at any "democratic" goals, but to advance the interests of American imperialism. If this means that the U. S. must maintain Spanish Fascism, then both Roosevelt and Hull are quite ready to do so.

Does Mr. Walsh

Want a State Religion?

To those Americans who believed that the Rapp-Coudert assault against the New York schools was merely aimed at a few professors, it should come as a shock to hear that at least one responsible state official considers this probe a means of making the Catholic religion the state religion.

Secretary of New York State, Michael J. Walsh, is that official and he told the Notre Dame Alumni exactly how he hopes to combat the influence of Protestantism behind the alleged drive against "communism." To a certain type of reactionary hierarch, any non-Catholic belief is "communism."

The New York Times reports the incident as follows:

Contending that Protestantism as a Christian influence in the United States was almost dead, Secretary of State Walsh declared that the future of Christian civilization in this country depends on Catholic college graduates." (Dec. 9.)

This is indeed startling doctrine from a paid government official. It is subversive of the fundamentals of democratic government as understood by Jefferson and Lincoln.

The utterance of such statements merely proves what the Communist Party has been warning all along—that the attack against the civil rights of Communists inevitably results in the wiping out of all rights, including the right of religious liberty for the rest of the population.

One of the cornerstones of democracy is the separation of Church and State. Mr. Walsh's utterance is aimed at this basic American conception. It is all the more startling in that it comes from a member of a minority religion. The real menace of it lies in the fact that it would revive the bigoted prejudices of the past, inciting religious strife and abolishing religious liberty.

The arrogant bigotries of Mr. Walsh are merely the other side of the equally arrogant anti-Catholic bigotries of the Ku Klux Klan. Neither is representative of progressive American opinion, Catholic, Protestant or non-religious.

But this is a warning of the deadly poisons which are brewed by witch-hunts like the Rapp-Coudert type, once they get started.

Burning the Schools

When first launched, the Carnegie Foundation was intended to promote education in the United States. But a foundation in the hands of the monopolists follows their dictates and not the needs of the people. Now that American monopoly no longer is interested in education, their hired "scholar," Dr. Frederick P. Keppel, president of the Carnegie Foundation, announces that America has more colleges that it can afford.

Keppel is here speaking that reactionary philosophy which, under Hitlerism, has degraded and destroyed the great educational institutions of Germany.

The theory that America—the richest country in the world—cannot afford even the meager higher educational facilities which it now possesses, is so absurd that it should fool no one. A country that can spend 15 billions in one year for armaments and which has sixteen billions more in gold salted away in the good earth of Kentucky, can actually spend many more millions than that at present on education.

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It's Time for a Wage Increase

--by Ellis



The Post Slips, Shows Washington Has Same Profit Motive as Berlin

By Oakley Johnson

An "exclusive" story dealing with war profits in Nazi Germany appeared in the first edition of yesterday's New York Post, but was pulled out of later editions.

It is a pity, too, for this copyrighted radio story, date-lined from Berlin and signed by David M. Nichol, the Post's special correspondent, brought out in the open matters which the Post, like other capitalist newspapers, usually conceal.

The story is based on a "remarkably candid survey" of various types of incomes in war-time Germany, indicating that Nazi regulations to limit profits "have not, apparently," as the Post writer wonderfully remarks, "wiped out the chances of accumulating private wealth."

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But millionaires and big incomes are there, just the same!

Another regulation forbids increase in declared dividends on the part of companies dealing heavily in war and government orders. It happened that one of Germany's biggest shipbuilding concerns announced last June that it would increase its declared dividend from 10 to 12 per cent. Then, a few days later, the company announced that it had reconsidered, and would not declare more than 10 per cent, after all!

Apparently, good axis policy—like Washington's Wall Street-favoring policy—does not favor too much publicity in these delicate matters.

The significant fact that this "exclusive" story reveals—which is the Post's "exclusive" from its page after the first edition—is the remarkable similarity between Roosevelt's and Hitler's financial policies, and the remarkable unanimity with which the ruling classes of both sides in this war make use of it to get richer and richer.

SIMILAR DEMAGOGY

The capitalists of the "democratic" powers vie with the capitalists of the fascist powers in coining money out of the heart's blood of their respective working classes.

At the same time, Roosevelt, like Hitler in demagogic about "limiting" profits, "taxing" excess profits, "levelling" incomes. Furthermore, adds the dispatch, since profits are so rigorously controlled, "Nazis policy has opposed wage increases." And for our part, here in the U. S., the report of Rear Admiral Ray Spear to Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox, in which he opposed laws protecting workers' incomes—not to speak of other such

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indications — shows that FDR's "democratic" policy is as like Hitler's in this respect as two peas in a pod.

The fact is that the European War now raging is not at all an "ideological" war, but an imperialist war. It is not at all a war of democracy against fascism, but a war of two money-grubbing capitalist cliques of two robber gangs of imperialist bankers, who urge on the common people of both sides to slaughter each other for farcically deceitful idealistic motives, while they, the moneyed cliques, rake in the profits day by day, while they look ahead to domination of greater slices of the earth.

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CHANGE THE WORLD



The Great Tradition: Can the Literary Renegades Destroy It?

By MIKE GOLD

(Final Instalment)

"Fascism denies the materialistic conception of history outlined by Marx," said Mussolini on one occasion. "Fascism repudiates the concept of economic happiness whereby the sufferings and sorrows of the humblest can be alleviated. Fascism believes in heroism and holliness."

Here is the same "idealist" mask covering the vicious snout of a murderous fascist reality. Here is the same "economy of sacrifice," the repudiation of reason, mystic nationalism and destruction of democratic rights that one finds in Lewis Mumford and his fellow-crusaders.

It would be easy to find, and put alongside of every article in Mumford's spurious "faith for living," some exact parallel drawn from the utterances of fascist leaders and ideologists.

But it is needless to labor the point. These Mumfords, Cowleys, Franks and MacLeishes have passed the stage where they believe it necessary to denounce such semblances. "To defeat Hitler, we will have to adopt some of the Hitlerian methods." Malcolm Cowley has very complacently confessed for them in the New Republic. Only for the duration of the war, of course. When the war is won, the old democratic system will be fished out of the garbage can and put into service again, almost as good as new.

But will this be possible? Is capitalism the same as it was in 1914? Is its decay not deepened by twenty-five years, is there not an enormous economic crisis still ravaging on its organs? Will it not need fascism, war or no war, to hold the starving people under martial law?

After the Mumfords have succeeded in herding the American people into this great concentration camp of fascist slavery, after they have placed all power in the hands of a Wall Street dictatorship, what guarantees have they that the dictatorship will yield such power after the war emergency has passed? Who will make them yield?

Do the liberal fools think a few purple speeches about "heroism and holliness," a few polite reminders in the New Republic, will be sufficient to loosen the whip out of the hands of an iron-bound dictator?

Roosevelt is surrendering every democratic position to the monopolist-fascists of America. The Mumfords are surrendering. They say they surrender the nation to fascism in order to fight fascism. But in reality they destroy the only safeguard America has against fascism—which is, a stronger, not a weaker, democratic resistance. The chief fascist enemy is always inside a nation. The measure of betrayal by the renegade Mumfords is that they completely ignore this fundamental truth, and try to blind the people to it, also.

But the terrible lesson of France should still be fresh in every American's memory. There the Lavalas, Daladiers, Blums and Reynauds followed the same strategy of "fighting" fascism with fascism. French intellectuals similar to Mumford, men like Andre Malraux, Paul Nizan, Jules Romains and others, succumbed like juveniles to the seduction of the old syphilitic whore of fascism in her latest flashy get-up. They helped the French reactionaries destroy the French democracy. Concentration camps were set up, thousands of trade unionists, Communists, Socialists and liberals were arrested, free speech and free press were stamped out.

Oh, yes, it was given a good trial, the "heroism and holliness" of the featherbrained amateurs and war-intellectuals. And it led to the most shameful defeat, not victory. It was meant to lead to defeat. Events have revealed that the whole plan was Hitlerian, though not in the sense of the smug Cowley. Years ago, in "Mein Kampf," Hitler had outlined this very plan for corrupting the democracies from within. He has not yet won anywhere in a real war. He has won by his Munichs, he has won with his Quislings, Chamberlains, and Leon Blums, he has won exactly by this technique of rotting the democracies before battle through the means of native agents who rob the people of any incentive to fight. Why should the people fight fascism after the Mumfords have gotten through with them? They are already living under fascism. And this is the situation that Hitler desperately needs and works for incessantly.

In presenting his fascist plan for America, in which "poverty, hardship, wounds and death will be our daily pay," Mumford expresses naive surprise that "even the working class is starkly unprepared for this change. But the change will bear lightest on the poor and insecure, the unemployed and the unskilled." How lovely! They have always been hungry, and it is natural that they should always be hungry. So why not accept the Mumford plan for a system of American hunger? But, they are not "idealistic" enough. They are vulgar "materialists."

It is a shame. The plump, windi author in his British tweeds, the fat little "idealists" who never missed a full meal in his life or slept in a hard bed, tell us that recently he had been slumming, and had made a shocking discovery about the poor. In a study of a family on relief he came across some "pathetic starvelings" who asked: "Haven't I got a right to a car? Haven't I got a right to a new suit of furniture?" This startled him as much as it might have a King Louis if some "pathetic starveling" peasant had suddenly asked him, "Haven't I a right to vote?"

It is this undemocratic bias, this deep-rooted class egotism enabling a Mumford to concoct fascist plans for the American people, without consulting them as to their own wishes, that is also revealed in his naive surprise at workers who ask for their rights. Unwittingly, he confessed that deep in his heart he has always regarded the American workers as a class of coolies who should beg, not demand. And it is only from such an attitude of superiority, where the psychological gap has become so wide that all human contact is lost, that a Mumford can commit the following howler: "The unemployment crisis was not an unmixed blessing, for it gave many an unemployed father the leisure to get to know his children." (Lewis Mumford never missed a meal, or he would know no father ever enjoyed leisure than meant the hunger of his children.)

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt is credited with a similar bon mot. At one of her meetings, a young chap rose to tell of the hardships he and other young people were undergoing as a result of the unemployment crisis. "What would you suggest that we do?" he asked. Mrs. Roosevelt smiled at him graciously, and with a cheery lit to her voice, answered: "Well, I have one young friend who raises violets." (Mrs. Roosevelt doesn't know her tenements; you can't raise violets there.)

Now the fact that stands out from such upper-class howlers is that these people are really aliens to the democracy. The daily problems of the people

are remote from them. Even in the midst of civil war, a Hemingway is simply not aware that the peasants are fighting for land, or are cruel to their former landlords, for certain historic reasons that any village boy could tell him. He really dislikes the people (though he is capable of liking individuals among them) because he intends to desert them and their problems when he returns to America: "And how about a planned society and the rest of it? That was for the others to do. He had something else to do after this war."

Fear and dislike of the people are evidenced in every line that Mumford writes. He despises them as much as the wealthy classes do the unemployed. In only slightly different forms he brings the stale old "leaning on a shovel" charges against them. He has a Mussolini plan for "heroism and holliness" for the people. It never occurs to him to consult their preferences. They will have to like his plan, he says. They will be forced to like the war and suffering he has allotted to them. And they must not ask what is all for: that is "heroism."

Hemingway has "loved Spain," but democracy has been defeated in Spain, and now he is going to desert "social planning and all that" to fools who prefer that sort of life to the Stork Club. Granville Hicks means to be very moral, and spend his days warning Mr. Dies against the lack of "heroism and holliness" in Marxism. Saroyan has a program of clowning—he will be the minstrel at King Monopoly's Court, and make time pass while the plague rages outside. Louise Bogan has tidied up the old Ivory Tower, and invites her fellow-poets to withdraw into again, after their brief and nervous foray into the democratic storm of the Thirties.

Yes, "some sort of aristocratic, authoritarian doctrine is going to grow in influence among the intellectuals," according to Hicks. There will also be a new wave of mysticism, escapism, pessimism, "pure writing," "detached minds"—all the familiar stigma of renegades and retreat.

They are not only washing their hands of a philosophy named Marxism, or a political program named Communism. They are washing their hands of all democracy—of all the aspirations and necessities of the People.

This is what surrender to the advancing Roosevelt-DuPont dictatorship means for these intellectuals.

But is this not too hopeless a picture I am painting? Does it not mean the end of American democracy?

No, it does not. And the situation is not so hopeless as it would seem.

These intellectuals are a small and very special group, who, by their own evidence, have no roots in the daily life. It is obvious that they cannot destroy democracy. It is only the monopolist-capitalists who can do so, since they control the economic and political machinery for that purpose. These intellectuals are merely specialists in illusion whose function and service it is to gild the crime with a glamor of idealism.

What is more, they do not even represent the petty-bourgeoisie in America—the white-collar class from whom they spring. It is possible that during the course of this study in renegades the impression may have been created that the renegade was typical of his class. If anyone with such prejudice has thought I have been building up a case for him, he is sadly mistaken.

It is out of this same bourgeois class that the whole idea of democracy was born. It was their Miltons, Voltaire, Diderots, Jeffersons, Lincolns and Walt Whitmans who struggled for eight long centuries to achieve the Bill of Rights and the Declaration of the Rights of Man.

It was out of this same class that the great ideas of Socialism were also born. Marx and Engels, Condorcet, Babeuf, and Lenin are among the many thinkers who crossed from the bourgeoisie to the side of the working class, bringing with them such vast treasures of human culture.

On this point let me quote the words of Lenin himself—(page 53, Volume 2, Selected Works, International Publishers, N. Y.):

"The history of all countries shows that the working class, exclusively by its own efforts, is able to develop only trade union consciousness; i.e., it may itself realize the necessity for combining in unions, for fighting against the employers, and for striving to compel the government to pass necessary labor legislation, etc.

The theory of socialism, however, grew out of the philosophical, historical and economic theories that were elaborated by the educated representatives of the propertied classes, the intellectuals. According to their social status, the founders of modern scientific socialism, Marx and Engels, themselves belonged to the bourgeois intelligentsia. Similarly in Russia, the theoretical doctrine of Social-Democracy arose quite independently of the spontaneous growth of the labor movement; it arose as a natural and inevitable outcome of the development of ideas among the revolutionary socialist intelligentsia."

This, far from being typical of their class, the renegades are actually renegades to the greatest and profoundest traditions of their own class.

Besides, renegades is not the exclusive property of any one class. The workers, alas, have also produced their own sufficient quota of rats, stool-pigeons, spies, labor fakers and Beggars on Horseback. The general, generally, is that the worker—renegade does not surround his treachery with theories and illusions, or an aura of philosophy and art. He is less articulate. He is more crude and direct. He usually works for cash, not for glory, or "heroism and holliness."

So long as capitalism lasts, needing such traitors, and offering them rewards, so long will they appear in both classes. Yet there are different psychological traits in the two classes—different pressures are brought upon the renegades. The capitalist down-pressure on workers is designed to push them into the lumpen-proletariat—into pauperism, scabism, criminalism, drunken soddenness and apathy, professional thugism and the like. The pressure on bourgeois intellectuals is in the direction of cynicism, "climberism," the all-absorbing passion for comfort, Philistine passivism and escapism, and the mercenary sale of their brains, their hearts, their whole being, to the highest capitalist bidder.

So that it is capitalism that I have been indicting, not the petty-bourgeoisie, a class that is exploited and degraded by capitalism as much as are the workers. Capitalism, so long as it lasts, must produce, as from some infernal stamping mill, generations of thieves, of fascists, of prostitutes, of mental cripples, and these social traitors and renegades.

They never depress me. They are few—always

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"Conversation Piece" by Joe Jones, is one of the most impressive paintings in the exhibition of contemporary American art at the Whitney Museum galleries. Raphael Soyer, Philip Evergood and William Gropper are among the other artists participating in the show.

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AFTERNOON

12:00-WNYC—Midday Symphony
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12:30-WOR—Trans-Radio News
WJZ—Natl Farm and Home Hour
WNYC—New Stage and Screen
12:45-WMCN—Conducted News
1:15-WMCN—East Aces
1:30-WMCN—Dance Music
1:45-WNYC—Card of Education Program
2:00-WMCN—News
WJZ—Streamline Magazines of the Air
2:15-WMCN—UP News
2:30-WJZ—Band Concert
3:00-WQXR—Music of the Moment
WOR—Danceland
3:15-WMCN—Sports
3:30-WMCN—Sports Treasury of Song
3:30-WNYC—Readers Almanac from NYU
WQXR—AP News
3:45-WMCN—Concert
3:55-WMCN—News
WEAF—Vic and Sade
WABC—Children Are Also People
3:55-WMCN—Sports
4:00-WNYC—Amsterdam String Trio
WOR—UP News
WQXR—Hour of Symphonic Music
4:15-WMCN—Sports
WJZ—Club Matinee
4:20-WMCN—Children's Forum
4:30-WNYC—Adventures in Music
5:00-WMCN—Music of the Month
WNYC—Children's Hour
WNYC—Concert Orchestra
5:15-WQXR—Band Stand
5:30-WMCN—Symphonic Concert Orchestra
5:45-WMCN—Music of the Great Masters
5:45-WNYC—UP News
EVENING

6:00-WAF—Jimmy Dorsey and His Band
WOR—Uncle Don WJZ—UP News
WNYC—Municipal Concert Hall
WABC—Sports with Mel Allen
WMCN—Sports
WNYC—Jimmy Powers Sport Talk
6:15-WJZ—Bill Stearn's Sport Talk
WAF—Songs
6:25-WMCN—AP News
6:30-WOR—Trans-Radio News
WJZ—Today's Sports
WEAF—Reveries
WQXR—Dinner Concert
WNYC—Dance Music
6:35-WMCN—News
6:45-WMCN—"Little Abner"
WAF—Dick Fisher Sports ResUME
7:00-WAF—Pleasuretime with Fred Waring's Orchestra
WOR—Stan Lomax, Sports Review
WJZ—Easy Aces

7:15-WMCN—News
WEAF—Nanny Ross' Concert
7:30-WAF—"Secondly Yours"
WJZ—Tom Powers, Dramatic Sketch
WABC—"Second Husband," starring Helen Menken
WMCN—Music of Music
7:45-WOR—The Inside Sport, Sam Balter, Commentator
8:00-WEAF—Johnny Gould presents Dramas and Dance Music
WEAF—Glenn Miller and His Band
WAF—"The Count of Missing Heirs
WNYC—Dance Music
WQXR—Music of Famous
8:15-WOR—Septet Concert
8:30-WEAF—Horace Heidt and His Band
WOR—Concert Hour
WAF—Under the Question-Bee
WABC—First Nighters Dramas
WNYC—Hollywood Sound Stage
8:45-WHN—UP News
9:00-WAF—Music of the States
WAF—Concert Hall
WAF—"Great Central Station"
WABC—"We, the People"
WQXR—"I Know What I Like"
9:15-WAF—Music of the Month
9:30-WEAF—Fibber McGee and Molly
WOR—Morton Gould and His Orch.
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WAF—Concert Hall
WNYC—Greatest Music—Famous Musical Personalities
9:30-WJZ—"The Bishop and the Groom"
9:45-WMCN—Invitation to the Waltz
10:00-WMCN—Masterworks of Symphonic Music
WEAF—Short Story Dramas
WEAF—Bingo
WABC—Glenn Miller and His Band
WQXR—Concert Hour
10:15-WAF—Invitation to Learning, of "Moll Flanders"
10:30-WMCN—News
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This was an enormous experience. Nobody can undo such an historic experience. Hundreds of thousands of technicians, artists, engineers, writers, professionals men formed organizations for economic self-defense—trade unions, in fact. A majority of them also were affected by Marxist and Communist ideas. This is how they were fused into the democratic struggle.

The renegades had little part to play in those organizations. They were always without roots in the democracy. They were always more concerned with "heroism and holliness" than with the bitter problems of the doctor without bread, the writer who had lost his market, the engineer for whom there were no bridges or houses to construct.

Thus, today the renegade cannot speak for that movement of the intellectuals. These are the new intellectuals. He belongs with the old.

The tragic fate of culture under a fascist dictatorship is now familiar to all thinking people. What we must understand is that a Roosevelt-DuPont dictatorship in America would be compelled by the logic of its position to impose the same deadly controls.

It is the new intellectuals who most clearly approach the danger, for it is their culture, their social criticism, and their organizations that would first feel the blow.

This is why only a handful of renegade intellectuals, "free lances" without loyalty to the democracy of their own class, have joined the Mumfords. The majority continue to fight against the dark forces of Wall Street America—against the union-busters and profiteers, the masters of oppression, the fascists and red-baiters.

The issues have been plainly drawn. One who is for America's entrance into the war must also demand an end to American democracy. We have been presented with no better choice. And we must answer, No, No, and again, No. We prefer to keep and extend our democracy.

Renegades have never stopped a great movement based on truth. The economic needs of the people is such a truth.

UAA Holds Mass Meeting Tonight

Endorsing the objectives of National Art Week and exposing its failure in New York City to meet the urgent economic needs of artists, Lynd Ward, Vice-President of the United American Artists, in a call issued today, summoned all artists in New York City to participate in a mass meeting to be held at Union M. E. Church, 229 West 48th St., N. Y. C., tonight at 8:30 P.M. to discuss certain courses of action to follow up Art Week. Speakers at the meeting will be Morris Newirth and Mervin Jules, with Mr. Ward presiding.

Mr. Ward in the call announced the endorsement by the United American Artists to the objectives of the original sponsors of National Art Week which acknowledged the "marginal existence" of the American artists and sought to improve the artist's lot of stimulating widespread purchase of American art through a broad section of the American public.

However, the pressing economic problems which face the vast majority of the artists remain unsolved.

The United American Artists believe that National Art Week, as a national institution, inspired by the announced objectives that led to its adoption, should be repeated without regularity. But its purposes will not be achieved without full representation for the artists in the formulation of policy and administration, without proper and efficient supervision, without the cooperation to the fullest extent of all government agencies, without the acceptance of the support of labor organizations and all other groups wishing to participate," added Mr. Ward.

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Young Pianist

Ray Lev is giving her fifth Town Hall recital this evening. She will play, in addition to other compositions, Beethoven's Thirty-two Variations in C minor, two Chopin Mazurkas and Liszt's Mephisto Waltz.

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By DAVE FARRELL

'Twas the Flu, Not the Irish
Says Dave in Last Grid Alibi

LOS ANGELES.—Nobody can say that your correspondent is not consistent, right to the bitter end. From season's start to finish I have been alibing our local football clubs. What with a song on one hand and a dance on the other. And so, in winding up my reportage of games played in the Los Angeles Coliseum, I submit this report of the Southern California-Notre Dame game. The Irish from South Bend didn't beat Troy, influenza did. However since the score shows a 10-6 mark-up, I had better get on with the plot.

I think that along with our climate, open-shoppers and drive-in restaurants we have managed to publicize an influenza epidemic. It's been a pip, not a household complete without one. We've had four for four in our family. The flu germs have run rampant. And being no respecters of anything sacred they got to that Trojan squad. I think local papers and services have carried the news far and wide that for the greater part of the week no fewer than 15 of the lads have been billeted in the Good Samaritan Hospital, among them such worthies as Ben Sohn, Jack Banta, Don Willer, first string tackle; Quentin Klenk, his first understudy; Sal Mens, ditto for Al Kreuger, who was injured early and Bill Bundy, the best blocking back on the Coast. All these plus a number of other young men Coach Jones needed badly on Saturday.

In the first half of Saturday's game Jones presented top-notch football. And then the STURM UND DRANG of battle plus the abnormal heat (it was 88 in the shade) got the boys. They were through; they just didn't have it. They didn't have the blocking and the sharpness of their previous play. And they got licked. Notre Dame didn't do it, the flu did.

That the score was what it was, 10-6, was nothing more than a reflection of Notre Dame's weakness. The Irish have nothing to be proud of, except Elmer Layden's perspicacity on reading of the epidemic in keeping his team out of town until right before game time. The Irish stayed in Tucson until 5 o'clock of the evening before Fatal Saturday.

At that, the Irish were lucky. On the second play of the game Robertson, who has done very little kicking all year, tried a quick kick which slid off his foot and went out of bounds on Troy's 48. Juzwik, the hottest of the Harps, went 19 to the 29. Four plays later the ball was theirs on the 15 and stopped cold. Milt Piepul dropped back to the 25 and kicked a beautiful field goal.

And right after that S.C. started rolling. Piepul kicked off to Robertson who ran the ball 34 yards to the 43. Banta on a reverse got 11 to the Irish 46 and on the next play on a split kick Peoples plowed and twisted his way behind brilliant blocking by Bundy who took three men out, the entire route for a touchdown. The kick was missed. But after Notre Dame got nowhere with the ball S. C. took over on its own 23. Robertson got 6. Peoples got 5 for a first down and then Robertson running alone with no blocking tore off the prettiest run of the day, 45 yards to the 19. A buck and a reverse got nowhere and Robertson passed to Peoples who made a beautiful catch on the Irish 7 just before the quarter ended. And here's where Old Man Farrell rises to ask a point of information: "Why, oh why, with the score 6-3 did Robertson's taker-over try a placement kick?" I ask this because I can't see that a 9-3 lead is any better than 6-3. A touchdown and conversion beats. Why not another attempt to run the ball? Assuming that you can't score and get stopped a couple of yards short aren't you forcing the defensive team to kick from behind its own goal posts?

Oh well, this is the usual bleat of the Tuesday morning quarterback. But right then and there that ended the Trojans. They hadn't the power. Bundy wobbled and reeled and had to have the referee insist that he be taken out of the lineup. Bundy is the S. C. power. He doesn't pack the ball himself. But he takes out of play the guys who look ominous. When he and the running guard aren't on top, the Jones system won't work. This year Sohn has been playing running guard. Sohn, likewise a fugitive from a fever chart, tired quickly, and had to be relieved often. The result was too, too dreadful for the faithful.

Then the Irish sensing they had a parcel of invalids got tough and balled their way to a touchdown with Juzwik scoring from the 3 without a hand laid on him.

The game ended with a Trojan pass in the end zone which came mighty close to being caught. But close ain't is.

But again I insist it was the flu, not Notre Dame that beat U.S.C. Saturday afternoon.

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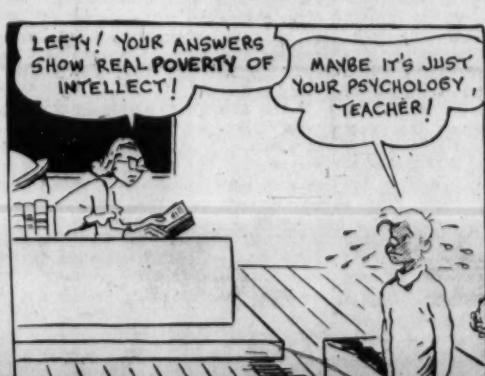
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